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Arizona Early Childhood Development & Health Board

North Phoenix Regional Council

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order

The regular meeting of the First Things First North Phoenix Regional Partnership Council of the – Arizona Early Childhood Development and Health Board was held on February 10, 2009 at 4:30p.m. at the Washington Elementary School District Office, 4650 West Sweetwater, Glendale, AZ 85304.

Members Present:

Bill Adams, Connie Robinson, Dr. Elaine Ellis, Gina Montes, James Emch, Jenna Goad, Karyn Parker, Mindy Zapata.

Absent:

Sally Downing.

North Phoenix, Chairman Bill Adams welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at approximately 4:43p.m.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Council Member Goad to approve the January 13, 2009 Meeting Minutes. Seconded by Council Member James Emch, motion carried.

Call to the Public

Tom Hutchinson, a member from the public spoke about his organization and handed a brochure to each of the present council members.

Council Members Update

Update given by Chairman Adams about the Second Chair/Vice Chair meeting that he, member Downing and Coordinator Brenda Tomlin attended on February 5, 2009. 2) the annual FTF Summit scheduled to take place April 27th and 28th with a reception on Sunday evening, concerns with cutting back on monies could lead to cancelling the 2009 FTF Summit. Question of whether or not it would be a good idea from the council to cancel the summit to save money, would it be more appropriate to do a webinar or audio conference; 3) Member Emch and Member Downing who sit on a DES Advisory committee who heard of a shortage and shortfall, hold put on all applications entered after 2-18-2009 throughout the FY09.

Quality First! Update

Regional Coordinator Brenda Tomlin played the Quality First Video.

Legislative Update

Regional Coordinator Brenda Tomlin will continue to send council updates on the legislative front as the information is received. Chairman Adams met with Senator Linda Gray and Deputy Director Karen Woodhouse. A North Phoenix Legislative Contact List was given to council members on the legislators in their district.

FTF Evaluation Plan Update

Item tabled. Council will revisit at a later date.

Funding Plan Implementation

Regional Coordinator Brenda Tomlin gave an update on the discretionary funds that were discussed at the Chair/Vice Chair Meeting on February 5, 2009. Member Ramos-Montes made a motion to put the three priorities to Board for at least \$2.5 million dollars. Member Ellis Second, Motion carried.

<u>Discussion and Recommendation for RFGA Review Committees</u>

Item tabled. Council will revisit at a later date.

Establish / Discuss Future Agenda Items

Item tabled. Council will revisit at a later date.

Adjournment

There being no further business, North Phoenix, Vice Chair Downing adjourned the North Phoenix Regional Council Meeting at 6:40p.m. A motion made by Council Member Ellis. Seconded by Council Member Ramos-Montes, motion carried.

SUBMITTED BY:

Brenda Tomlin, North Phoenix Regional Council Coordinator

Approved:

Bill Adams, North Phoenix Regional Council Chair